

**ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION -
2008**

COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB1115

Hearing Date: February 26, 2008

Committee On: Agriculture

Introducer(s): (Erdman)

Title: Change Nebraska State Fair Board membership

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Placed on General File with Amendments

Vote Results:

7 Yes Senators Dierks, Dubas, Erdman, Karpisek,
 McDonald, Preister, Wallman

0 No

1 Absent Senators Chambers

0 Present, not voting

Proponents:

Philip Erdman

John Wessel

Opponents:

Neutral:

Alan Wood

Harvey Perlman

Representing:

Introducer – 47th District

Self

Representing:

Representing:

Lancaster County Agricultural Society

University of Nebraska – Lincoln, Chancellor

Summary of purpose and/or change:

LB 1115 amends §2-103 make the following revisions to the makeup of the State Fair Board:

- Redefines the qualification of the four appointed members representing the business community of the state in subdivision (1)(b) to provide that three of them shall be selected from congressional districts, and one member shall be selected to represent the business community of the host community.
 - Existing appointed members who continue to be qualified to serve under the redefinition of qualification continue to serve out the terms for which they are currently appointed and are eligible for reappointment subject to the limitation on terms.
 - In the event the fair is relocated to a new host community, the term of the member designated to represent the previous host community is vacated and the Governor is to appoint a representative of the host community to fulfill the remainder of the vacated term.
 - Deletes obsolete transitional language that provided for the staggering of terms of members originally selected to the Board.

- Amends subsection (5) by replacing the Chairperson of the Nebraska Arts Council and the Chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln as ex-officio, voting members of the Board with the State 4-H Program Administrator as an ex-officio non voting member.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

The Committee amendment (AM2045) adds the Executive Director of the Nebraska FFA as an ex-officio, non-voting member.

Senator Philip Erdman, Chairperson